



Building a Legacy

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Dear Parent

Today you will receive the (intended) holiday list for this academic year. This was originally sent in June. It hasn't changed, but will now be added to the school website. ***Please note that the children are off school on Friday 25 September and Monday 2 November for staff training days.***

Many thanks for returning your data and use of images forms so promptly. We have very few left to collect. The deadline for return is this Friday, 18 September if at all possible.

Thanks also for all your support and cooperation with our return to school procedures, all of which are working well. The children have been fantastic in keeping to their new routines and adjusting to classroom life again. Let's hope this continues, so please work with us to reinforce the importance of hand hygiene, maintaining social distancing before and after school, and following the routines we have in place inside the building.

School bags & uniform

As we move towards the end of the first month, we are in a position to act as promised and review certain procedures. Regarding the use of school bags, some children do bring them, others don't. We are happy that the children use school bags and bring lunch boxes or drinks containers, ***providing that you take responsibility for the frequent cleaning of all items coming to/from school.*** We are equally happy that those who only send in disposable bags/bottles continue to do so if they prefer. Of course it is true that disposing of items isn't the most environmentally friendly approach, but the health and safety of everyone in school and minimising the chances of the virus entering our community are more important right now.

We have given you the choice of sending your child to school in uniform. The intention was to review this at half-term. As the vast majority of children are wearing their uniform, I feel that we are in a position to confirm that full school uniform should be worn from Tuesday 3 November (after half-term). You may remember that the decision was originally taken due to the notion that children would only be in school two days per week. Andrews is proud of its uniform and its associated and visible sense of family. I would hope that you would support us in a return to this particular brand of normal.

Kind regards and please stay safe.

Ralph Magee